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Applicants : Seiichi Hirano et al. ✓
Serial No. : 08/464,036 ✓ Group Art Unit: 2108
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**PETITION REQUESTING CONSIDERATION OF
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attn: Supervisory Examiner

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner to consider the attached Information Disclosure Statement. Within the Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants certify that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart part foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement.

Specifically, the above-identified application was finally rejected on November 12, 1996. The reference cited in the attached Information Disclosure Statement

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was cited in a British Examination Report dated October 14, 1996, which is less than three months from the mailing date of this Petition, and therefore must be considered pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d).

Applicant respectfully requests that the fee, estimated to be \$130.00, and any deficiency be charged to the Attorneys' Deposit Account No. 19-4709. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Applicants submit that this petition should be granted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 because the information contained in the attached Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement, the appropriate certification is contained in the attached Infromation Disclosure Statement, and Applicants have authorized the payment of the necessary fee.

By the filing of this Petition, applicants respectfully request that the references cited in the annexed Information Disclosure Statement be considered and be made of record.

Respectfully submitted,



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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND
CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(1)**

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98 in order to comply with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56. Specifically, the reference cited in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited during the prosecution of a related British patent application. A copy of the British Office Action and the reference cited therein are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

I hereby certify that the information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. A petition requesting that this Information Disclosure Statement be considered accompanies this statement.

This Information Disclosure Statement should be considered in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97, as it is filed after the mailing date of a final action, but is accompanied by the appropriate certification, petition and Applicants have paid the necessary fee.

In view of the foregoing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and make the documents of record in the subject application.

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